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European Search Report (5 pgs.).

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R § 1.97 et. Seq., the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for review in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to the provision of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next official communication.

The attached references were discovered as a result of a Search Report in a related copending foreign patent application. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the documents and International Search Report.

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The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of these references during prosecution of the above-identified matter. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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